

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting August 12, 2008

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Cold Spring was held on Tuesday, August 12, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, New York.

Attending: Mayor Anthony Phillips and Trustees: John Teagle and Gordon R. Robertson

Absent: Trustees Edward T. Mancari and Seth J. Gallagher

Also Attending: Stephen Gaba, Village Attorney; Ellen Mageean, Village Accountant, George Tompkins, Building Inspector; B. Budney of the Town of Philipstown Council, K. Foley of the PCN&R and

Residents: P. Henderson and C. Hustis.

Mayor Phillips opened the meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the following meetings were submitted for board review and approval: July 8, 2008, July 22, 2008 and July 29, 2008. Trustee G. Robertson moved to accept the minutes as presented. Trustee J. Teagle seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Budget amendment: Trustee J. Teagle moved to accept **Resolution #2008-34**; budget transfer for \$3,099.71 from A1320.400 Auditor Contractual to A1325.100 Treasurer – Personal Services. Trustee G. Robertson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Ellen Mageean provided an updated financial report for revenue, expenditures and changes in Fund Balance for the year ending May 31, 2008 (attached). 91% of the taxes for the year 2008-2009 have been collected. Inactive bank accounts have not been closed due to money transfers that still need to take place. The Village has filed for an audit extension. Trustee J. Teagle moved to accept the Financial Report. Trustee G. Robertson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Building and Fire Inspector:

George Tompkins read the monthly Building Department report. Trustee G. Robertson moved to accept this report. Trustee J. Teagle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. There was no Fire Inspector report presented.

There was a question from Mr. Peter Henderson regarding the status of the application for a building permit from Mr. Kearney. Mayor Phillips responded that a building permit was applied for and was denied. Mr. Kearney must go before the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and the Historic District Review Board.

Police and Justice Court:

The Police report for July was reviewed. Mayor Phillips informed the Board members and the public that an arrest had been made in the burglary that took place at The Scoop Ice Cream Shop. Trustee J. Teagle moved to accept this report. Trustee G. Robertson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Justice Court report for July was reviewed. Court Collections totaled \$7,310.00. Trustee J. Teagle moved to accept this Justice Court report. Trustee G. Robertson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Water and Wastewater:

The Water Department report was reviewed. Mayor Phillips read a memo regarding water valve replacement starting the week of August 18, 2008. G. Robertson moved to accept this report. J. Teagle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Wastewater report for July was reviewed. Trustee G. Robertson moved to accept this report. Trustee J. Teagle seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Mr. Peter Henderson asked about the status of Village having permission from the Russian camp to access the upper dam. Mr. Gaba responded that all options are being considered and access to the dam will be pursued. Mr. Gaba stated that a boundary discrepancy was noted.

Recreation:

The Recreation Commission met on August 7, 2008. TruGreen suggested aeration of the Village parks in the fall. This suggestion was tabled until the next meeting. The following requests for the use of Mayor's Park were made:

- Mr. Les Wigdor to fly a remote controlled airplane. The Board members recommend he go directly to the Board of Trustees.
- An application from Betty Monroe for a graduation party on 6/27/09 was tabled until 2009.
- An application from the Cold Spring Antique Dealers' Association for an antiques show on 6/14/09 was tabled until 2009.

A request for a Candlelight vigil at the riverfront in the memory of Lawrence King will be considered at a later date as the applicant will be returning with additional information. The clay pitcher's mound has been tampered with and an investigation is continuing.

The posting of signs provided by Putnam County at the riverfront has been delayed.

McConville Park (Tots Park):

Trustee J. Teagle updated the Board and the public on the successful fundraiser (jamboree) at the Tot's Park for new equipment. Thousands of dollars were raised. However, the exact figure was not known. Mayor Phillips asked Trustee J. Teagle to get an exact figure of the money raised from the jamboree. Trustee J. Teagle should have a figure by the next meeting.

Bill Approval:

The approval of bills was tabled until the next meeting.

Historic District Review Board Appointment:

Kathleen Foley had been interviewed for an appointment on the Historic District Review Board. The members of the Historic District Review Board recommended her for the appointment. Trustee J. Teagle moved to appoint Kathleen Foley to sit on the Historic District Review Board. Trustee G. Robertson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. Trustee G. Robertson and Trustee J. Teagle noted that the Village is lucky to have someone with Ms. Foley's credentials join the board.

Insurance:

Trustee G. Robertson is still working with the Police Department regarding insurance.

NYCOM Volunteer Fire Department workshop:

Trustee J. Teagle is willing to go to NYCOM workshop focusing on administration for Volunteer Fire Department members. The workshop will be held in Millbrook. George Tompkins noted that Fire Inspector Ralph Fallon and Trustee E. Mancari will attend the workshop.

Other Business:

Mayor Phillips met with the Mayor of Highland Falls regarding applying for a grant to build a dock and to establish a closer affiliation between the two Villages. Mayor Phillips was invited to attend their board meeting in September. The Mayor of Highland Falls will be asked to attend one of the Village of Cold Spring Trustees meetings in October.

Mayor Phillips attended the Council of Government meeting. The topics discussed were the sharing of equipment to help overcome budget deficits and the quadra-centennial.

Mayor Phillips asked B. Budney, Town of Philipstown Councilwoman, if Philipstown is still recycling. B. Budney responded:

- Hudson Bailer pays the town for paper
- Scrap metal can be brought to the landfill on Lanegate Road.
- A collection day will take place October 4, 2008 where televisions, computer monitors and air conditioners can be dropped off at the landfill.
- Cell phones can be dropped off in Mahopac where they get reused.

Public Comment:

Mr. Peter Henderson asked about the status of the Butterfield property. Mayor Phillips responded that the Village has heard nothing from the owner of the property except regarding cell towers.

Mr. Henderson asked if Mr. Kearny and the County settled the back tax issue and if the possibility of the donation of land to the village is still a possibility. Mayor Phillips answered there has been no contact from either property (Butterfield property and Marathon Battery property) owner.

Trustee J. Teagle moved to adjourn the public portion of the meeting to go into executive session for attorney consultation. Trustee G. Robertson seconded the motion. The public portion of the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Valentino